[*Note.*—An asterisk (*) at the commencement of a speech indicates revision by the Member.]

II.—ADJOURNMENT MOTION *RE* SITUATION CREATED BY THE OUTFLOW OF REFUGEES FROM HYDERABAD.

MR. PRESIDENT :—" May I know, whether the hon. Member, Mr. Narayanaswami Nayudu, is pressing his motion? "

SRI B. NARAYANASWAMI NAYUDU :—" Yes, Sir."

MR. PRESIDENT :—" I have received notice of the following motion from the hon. Mr. Narayanaswami Nayudu :—

' I wish to move at the meeting of the Legislative Council to-day that the business of the Council be adjourned for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, to wit, the growing and immediate danger to the peace and tranquillity and safety to the property and persons of the districts of Kurnool, Guntur and Kistna, adjoining Hyderabad and the problems created by the increasing and incessant outflow of refugees from Hyderabad territory into the adjoining Madras Province areas '. "

THE HON. DR. P. SUBBARAYAN :—" Sir, I would like to refer to Rule 117 of the Council Rules, sub-section (2) which says :

' *No resolution shall be moved on any matter connected with any Indian State unless the Governor acting in his discretion—*

(i) is satisfied that the matter affects the interests of the Provincial Government or of a British subject ordinarily resident in the province, and

(ii) has given his consent to the resolution being moved.'

That has been retained under section 84 which has not been taken away by the Indian Independence Act. I will refer you to section 84 (*c*) of the Government of India Act which says :

' *For prohibiting the discussion of, or the asking of questions on, any matter connected with any Indian State unless the Governor in his discretion is satisfied that the matter affects the interests of the Provincial Government or of a British subject ordinarily resident in the province and has given his consent to the matter being discussed or to the question being asked* '."

SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO :—" May I know, Sir, whether the words ' in his discretion ' have been removed in the Adaptation Order or not? "

THE HON. DR P. SUBBARAYAN :—" In section 84 (*c*) the words remain."

MR. PRESIDENT :—" May I know from the Hon. Minister whether there is any other objection except this? "

THE HON. DR. P. SUBBARAYAN :—" Yes, Sir. I have first to stand on the technical objection that no resolution shall be moved on any matter connected with any Indian State and this is a matter which is connected with a State. Secondly, I would

ask hon. Members that since negotiations between the Government of India and the Nizam's Government are in a very delicate stage, we should do nothing to add to the troubles of the Central Government with regard to these negotiations. Besides, I can assure hon. Members that this Government are watching what is happening on these borders and are taking every step they can to prevent anything getting out of hand, but all these have got to be done in consultation with the Government of India and it is not possible for me to give any further information on this point because they are of a very strictly confidential nature and without reference to the Government of India, even if this motion is allowed and moved, I would not be able to add anything to what I have said now."

SRI B. NARAYANASWAMI NAYUDU :—" So far as the technical point is concerned, Sir . . ."

MR. PRESIDENT :—" May I ask the hon. Member whether in view of the statement made by the Hon. Minister, he is pressing his motion ? "

SRI B. NARAYANASWAMI NAYUDU :—" Sir, the reason which prompted me to make the motion, was the article that appeared in to-day's papers in which Mr. Pattabhi Sitaramiah is accusing the Government of Madras of supineness and I thought this would give an opportunity to the Government to say that they are alert and active. The only point I would like to know from the Government is whether there is sufficient force in the districts concerned to preserve peace and order and whether efforts are being made to conserve those forces or not. That is the plain and simple question I want to ask of the Government and not about the negotiations between the Hyderabad State and the Indian Union. My point is whether all the forces in the districts can cope with the situation or is it going to be too late in the day. It is the intensity of the question that prompted me to bring forward this motion, Sir."

THE HON. DR. P. SUBBARAYAN :—" I quite understand the intensity of the question but I am not able to take the thing any further. According to military law it is not for me to defend or give out the deployment of forces."

MR. PRESIDENT :—" Of course, Government can say whether they are alert in regard to the matter or not."

THE HON. DR. P. SUBBARAYAN :—" I have already said that the Government are taking every necessary step and I would not say anything more than that."

MR. PRESIDENT :—" In view of the Hon. Minister's statement, I think the hon. Member is not pressing the motion."

SRI B. NARAYANASWAMI NAYUDU :—" No, Sir."

The adjournment motion was not pressed.

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MR. PRESIDENT :—" I think the Hon'ble Minister dealt with it in a technical way. The resolution as it stands refers only to the immediate concern of this Government, the peace, tranquillity and the safety of this Province. I think this is purely a matter for this Government. This is only an academic discussion." 11-45 a.m.

THE HON. DR. P. SUBBARAYAN :—" Let there not be any ruling, Sir."

MR. PRESIDENT :—" No, it is only my feeling that I have expressed."

III.—MESSAGE FROM ASSEMBLY.

MR. PRESIDENT :—" I have to announce to the House, that in accordance with rule 94 of the Madras Assembly Rules, I have received messages from the Hon. the Speaker of the Madras Legislative Assembly transmitting copies of the following Bills as passed by the Assembly, on the 5th November 1947, and signed by him for the concurrence of the Council :—

(1) The Madras Non-Power Factories Bill, 1947 (L.A. Bill No. 16 of 1947).

(2) The Madras Municipal and Local Boards (Amendment) Bill, 1947 (L.A. Bill No. 32 of 1947).

(3) The Madras Places of Public Resort (Amendment) Bill, 1947 (L.A. Bill No. 33 of 1947)."

IV.—ELECTION OF TWO MEMBERS TO THE SENATE OF THE ANNAMALAI UNIVERSITY.

MR. PRESIDENT :—" I have to announce to the House that the following candidates have been duly nominated for election of two members by the Legislative Council to the Senate of the Annamalai University :—

(1) Sri K. Manathunainatha Desigar.

(2) Sri C. Perumalswami Reddiyar.

" As the number of candidates nominated is equal to the number of vacancies to be filled, viz., two, I hereby declare them to have been duly elected to the Senate of the Annamalai University."

V.—ELECTION OF A MEMBER TO THE STANDING ADVISORY BOARD FOR TECHNICAL EDUCATION.

MR. PRESIDENT :—" I have to announce to the House that Sri N. Ranga Reddi is the only candidate duly nominated for a seat in the Standing Advisory Board for Technical Education constituted by Government in G.O. No. 1829, Education, dated the 19th August 1947. I hereby declare him duly elected."